State of California Department of Parks and Recreation

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research **FROM:** Department of Parks and Recreation

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PROJECT TITLE: Irrigation System Improvements

LOCATION: Shasta State Historic Park COUNTY: Shasta

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:

Minor adjustments to existing irrigation system installed in 1999 by relocation of irrigation line and several sprinkler heads in the day-use area for improved irrigation coverage of turf, vegetation and prevention of water damage to facilities. Excavate 4 inches wide by 12 inches deep by 140 feet length for installation of 1½ inch irrigation line and sand layer for line protection. The site will be surveyed and a subsurface investigation conducted prior to construction by a Department of Parks and Recreation qualified archeologist to determine the presence or absence of undocumented subsurface archaeological deposits or historic features. In the event that significant cultural resources are found in the project location prior to construction, the project will be reevaluated for potential redesign. During construction work, a qualified historian and/or archaeologist will monitor all subsurface work including trenching, grading, and excavations in the area to ensure avoidance of significant impacts to cultural resources. Sprinkler head placement will avoid spraying water within the drip line of mature planted trees.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT: California Department of Parks and Recreation

DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Northern Buttes District

EXEMPT STATUS:

□ Categorical Exemption Class: 1, 4 Section: 15301, 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:

Project consists of minor improvements including installation and relocation of an irrigation system and is included as "utility repairs or minor upgrades" in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities, in accordance with CCR 15300.4; and minor alteration in the condition of public land and vegetation which does not involve the removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees.

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